

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Further to the amendment filed on March 16, 2009, claims 1 and 3 are amended. Claims 1-6 are pending in the application.

In the present response, claims 1 and 3 are amended for informalities. Reexamination and reconsideration of the application, as amended in the present response, are respectfully requested.

CONCLUSION

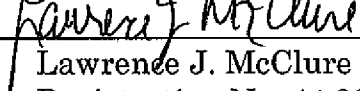
In view of the foregoing, it is respectfully submitted that the application is in condition for allowance. Reexamination and reconsideration of the application, as amended, are requested.

If for any reason the Examiner finds the application other than in condition for allowance, the Examiner is requested to call the undersigned attorney at the Los Angeles, California telephone number (310) 785-4600 to discuss the steps necessary for placing the application in condition for allowance.

If there are any fees due in connection with the filing of this response, please charge the fees to our Deposit Account No. 50-1314.

Respectfully submitted,
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